AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently Amended) An objective lens used in an optical head, comprising:
 - (a) a convex lens; and
 - (b) a chromatic aberration correcting optical element,

wherein a center of gravity of the objective lens is arranged substantially on a straight line connecting supporting points of a lens holder for the objective lens.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The objective <u>lens</u> of claim 1, further comprising a lens frame for supporting the convex lens and the chromatic aberration correcting optical element, wherein the center of gravity of the objective lens is a combined center of gravity of the entire objective lens including the convex lens, the chromatic aberration correcting optical element and the lens frame.
- 3. (Original) The objective lens of claim 1, wherein the convex lens has a one-element lens.
- 4. (Original) The objective lens of claim 1, wherein the convex lens has a two-element lens.

- 5. (Currently Amended) An optical head for recording and reading information including an objective lens used for an optical head, the objective lens comprising:
 - (a) a convex lens; and
 - (b) a chromatic aberration correcting optical element,

wherein a center of gravity of the objective lens is arranged substantially on a straight line connecting supporting points of a lens holder for the objective lens.

- 6. (New) An objective lens used in an optical head, comprising:
- (a) a convex lens; and
- (b) an aberration correcting optical element,

wherein a center of gravity of the objective lens is arranged substantially on a straight line connecting supporting points of a lens holder for the objective lens.

- 7. (New) An optical head for recording and reading information including an objective lens used for an optical head, the objective lens comprising:
 - (a) a convex lens; and
 - (b) an aberration correcting optical element,

wherein a center of gravity of the objective lens is arranged substantially on a straight line connecting supporting points of a lens holder for the objective lens.